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Re: Proposition 84 Round 1 Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Implementation
Grant Draft Funding Recommendations

Dear Mr. Joseph:

It gives me great pleasure to write this letter supporting the Proposition 84 Round 1 IRWM Implementation Grant Draft Funding Recommendations (Recommendations) for the Upper Kings Basin. As the representative for the proposed project areas, I support the Recommendations of the California Department of Water Resources (CDWR) staff. CDWR staff has conducted a very creditable analysis of the grant applications and the draft recommendations are consistent with both the Proposition 84 IRWM Guidelines, and the Round 1 Implementation Proposal Solicitation Package.

Furthermore, I support the efforts of the Upper Kings Basin IRWM Authority (Water Authority) to secure external funding. The amount requested in the Proposition 84 Round 1 IRWM Implementation Grant application submitted by the Water Authority was \$13,333,333. While the recommended award (\$8,496,000) is lower than the amount requested, proponents will likely be able to complete their respective projects by contributing additional local funds. However, if less than the recommended amount is received, completion of the projects could be at risk.

Again, I urge you to support the efforts of the Upper Kings Basin IRWM Authority as it seeks Proposition 84 IRWM Implementation Grant funding, and encourages CDWR to finalize the Recommendations without any revisions.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Henry T. Perea", written over a horizontal line.

Henry T. Perea
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